

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A breakaway packing system for packaging an information handling system, comprising:

5 a packing support designed to receive at least a portion of an information handling system, the packing support operable to secure the information handling system within a shipping container; and

10 at least one detachable joint formed in the packing support, the at least one detachable joint operably detachable to cause the packing support to separate into sections.

15 2. The breakaway packing system of Claim 1, wherein the detachable joint is reusable such that the packing support can be rejoined for shipping the information handling system.

20 3. The breakaway packing system of Claim 1, wherein the packing support comprises foam.

25 4. The breakaway packing system of Claim 1, further comprising the packing support operably coupled to the information handling system during an automated process.

30 5. The breakaway packing system of Claim 1, wherein the at least one detachable joint is formed in a die cutting process.

6. The breakaway packing system of Claim 1,  
wherein the detachable joint comprises a dovetail joint.

5 7. The breakaway packing system of Claim 1,  
further comprising the detachable joint operably designed  
to maintain the packing support intact while being packed  
and to separate into the sections by detaching at the at  
least one detachable joint when being unpacked.

8. An information handling system packaged for shipping, comprising:

a printed circuit board;

at least one processor operably coupled to the printed circuit board;

a memory operably coupled to the processor and the printed circuit board;

a chassis enclosed around the printed circuit board, the memory, and the at least one processor;

a detachable container support designed to receive at least a portion of the chassis of the information handling system, the container support operable to secure the information handling system within a shipping container; and

at least one joint formed in the container support, the at least one joint operably detachable to cause the container support to separate into a first section and a second section.

9. The information handling system packaged for shipping of Claim 8, wherein the detachable joint is reusable such that the packing support can be rejoined for shipping the information handling system.

10. The information handling system packaged for shipping of Claim 8, wherein the packing support comprises foam.

11. The information handling system packaged for shipping of Claim 8, wherein the detachable joint comprises a dovetail joint.

5           12. The information handling system packaged for shipping of Claim 8, further comprising the packing support operably coupled to the information handling system by an automated process.

10           13. The information handling system packaged for shipping of Claim 8, further comprising the detachable joint operably designed to maintain the packing support intact while being packed and to separate into the sections by detaching at the at least one detachable  
15 joint when being unpacked.

14. The information handling system packaged for shipping of Claim 8, wherein the detachable joint is formed by a die cutting process.

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15. A method of packing an information handling system, comprising:

placing a portion of a chassis of an information handling system into a packing support such that at least one edge of the chassis is secured within the packing support;

inserting the information handling system into a shipping container such that the packing support forms a protective barrier between the shipping container and the information handling system; and

upon arrival at the destination, detaching the packing support into sections by separating the detachable joints to allow removal of the information handling system from the shipping container.

16. The method of Claim 15, further comprising rejoining the detachable joint such that the packing support is able to secure the information handling system in the shipping container.

17. The method of Claim 15, further comprising placing the packing support over the portion of the chassis in an automated process.

18. The method of Claim 15, wherein the detachable joint comprises foam.

19. The method of Claim 15, wherein the detachable joint is a dovetail joint.

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20. The method of Claim 15, further comprising forming the detachable joint in the packing support using a die cutting process.